# Estimation of Air Toxics Emissions, Exposure, and Risk from On-Road Motor Vehicles

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### **Background**

- Section 202(l) of 1990 CAAA:
  - Study need for controlling toxic emissions from motor vehicles and fuels (1993 MVRATS)
  - Promulgate regulations containing reasonable requirements to control toxics from motor vehicles and fuels (RFG)
- Draft Integrated Urban Air Toxics Strategy recently released
- Tier 2 emission standards recently promulgated
- Because analyses prepared for MVRATS are based on outdated models and data, there was a need for revised estimates of motor vehicle toxic emission rates, exposure, and risk

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### **Project Scope**

Estimate on-road motor vehicle toxic emissions, exposure, and risk in ten urban areas for a variety of calendar years, control scenarios, and demo groups:

• Urban Areas:

Atlanta Chicago
Denver Houston
Minneapolis New York City
Philadelphia Phoenix
Spokane St. Louis

• Calendar Years:

1990 1996 2007 2020

• Control Scenarios:

Baseline (NLEV and current fuel)

Sc#1 - Base with 30 ppm S gasoline

Sc#2 - Sc#1 with Tier 2 stds for LDVs/LDTs

Sc#3 - Sc#2 with increased LDDTs

Sc#4 - Tier 2 stds with a gasoline benzene cap

Sc#5 - Tier 2 stds with a gasoline toxics std

Sc#6 - More stringent LDV stds (beyond Tier 2)

Sc#7 - More stringent HDGV stds

Sc#8 - More stringent HDDV PM stds (0.01)

Sc#9 - More stringent HDDV PM stds (0.05)

### **Project Scope (Cont.)**

• Seasons:

Winter Spring Summer Fall

Annual Average

Toxics:

Benzene Acetaldehyde Formaldehyde 1,3-Butadiene MTBE Diesel PM

Demographic Groups:

Total Population Outdoor Workers

Children 0 - 17 Years of Age

 In addition to the above, a methodology was developed to generate national-level inventory and exposure estimates. Inventories were developed for each county; exposure estimates were prepared separately for urban and rural areas.

### Methodology

- 1. Generate toxics emission rates for all areas, years, scenarios, and seasons based on revised MOBILE inputs consistent with the Tier 2 rule
- 2. Generate CY1990 carbon monoxide emission rates for each area and season based on revised MOBILE inputs
- 3. Using 1990 CO exposure estimates (μg/m³) from HAPEM modeling (provided for this project), develop [CO<sub>Exp(ug/m3)</sub>/CO<sub>EF(g/mi)</sub>]<sub>1990</sub> ratios
- 4. Using results from above, determine toxics exposures as follows:

$$TOX_{Exp(\mu g/m3)} = \ [CO_{Exp(\mu g/m3)}/CO_{EF(g/mi)}]_{1990} \times TOX_{EF(g/mi)}$$

Adjustments for atm. transformation (1,3-BD) and for VMT growth from 1990 were made

 Exposure model includes estimates of individual cancer risk and total cancer cases:

$$\begin{split} CAN_{Ind} &= TOX_{Exp\text{-}Adj(\mu g/m3)} \times (UR \ / \ YPL) \\ CAN_{Pop} &= CAN_{Ind} \times Population \end{split}$$

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### **Toxics Emission Rates**

TOG Methodology

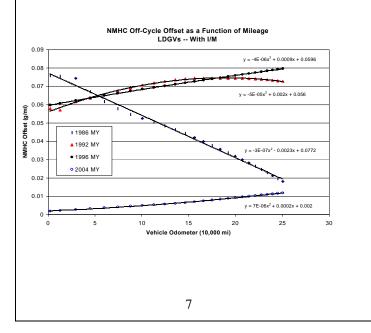
- The toxics emissions estimates used TOG emission rates generated by MOBILE as a starting point
- To the extent possible, revisions planned for MOBILE6 (and used in the Tier 2 rule) were incorporated into this analysis
- Specific changes relative to MOBILE5b:
  - Revised BERs (lower DRs for 1981+ MY)
  - Incorporated off-cycle effects
  - Incorporated LEV sulfur effect
  - Revised fleet characteristics
- The above parameters were provided by EPA and were then formatted to be consistent with the modeling performed for this study

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### **Toxics Emission Rates**

TOG Methodology

- Off-cycle corrections included impacts of aggressive driving behavior. An off-cycle offset as a function of vehicle mileage was developed:
- LEV sulfur effects based on correlation equations developed by EPA for Tier 2/MOBILE6
- Revised car/truck VMT splits and registration fractions based on Tier 2 modeling



### **Toxics Emission Rates**

Toxics Methodology

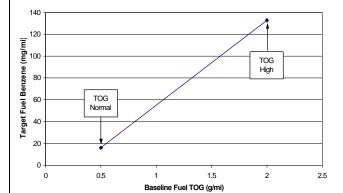
- Previous estimates (MVRATS) based on applying toxics fractions to TOG emission rates
- After the release of MVRATS, the Complex model was finalized
- Current analysis was based on applying MVRATS toxics fractions for older technology and Diesels;
   Complex model for three-way catalyst vehicles
- Complex model provides separate estimates for normals and highs; a methodology was developed to account for this difference
- This method required development of "toxic-TOG curves" in which target fuel toxic emission rates were plotted against base fuel TOG rates

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### **Toxics Emission Rates**

Toxics Methodology

- Toxic-TOG Curves:
  - Complex model used for determining impact of nonsulfur fuel parameters on toxic emissions (by technology type)



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Hypothetical Benzene-TOG Curve

**Toxic-TOG Curve** 

Hypothetical TOG and Benzene Emissions								
	TOG (g/mi)		Benzene Frac.		Benzene (g/mi)			
Fuel	Norma 1	High	Normal	High	Normal	High		
Base	0.50	2.0	5%	8%	0.025	0.16		
Target	0.40	1.9	4%	7%	0.016	0.133		

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- EPA sulfur equations used for sulfur impacts
- Tier 0 results directly from Complex model
- Tier 1 and Tier 2 normal-emitter point scaled by ratio of standards assuming same toxic fraction
- High-emitting Tier 1 and Tier 2 vehicles assumed to be the same as Tier 0 vehicles
- Off-cycle toxics fractions accounted for with adjustment factors developed from CARB UC-FTP database
- Resulting model (MOBTOX5b) incorporated revised BERs and toxics routines outlined above

# Emission Rate Results for Benzene Annual Average Benzene Emission Rates in Atlanta 120 Baseline C Sc#1 (30 ppm S) F Sc#2 (Tier 2) C Sc#1 (30 ppm S) Baseline C Sc#1 (30 ppm S) F Sc#2 (Tier 2) C Sc#1 (30 ppm S) F Sc#2 (Tier 2) C Sc#1 (30 ppm S) F Sc#2 (Tier 2) F Sc#2 (Tier 2) F Sc#3 (0.055 NMHC)

Fleet-Average Benzene Emission Rates for Fuel Control Scenarios						
		Benzene (mg/mi)				
Area	Scenario	2007	2020			
Atlanta	Sc#2 (30 ppm S) Sc#4 (Bnz Cap) Sc#5 (25% Red.)	21.3 22.2 19.1	11.9 12.4 10.7			
Cleveland	Sc#2 (30 ppm S) Sc#4 (Bnz Cap) Sc#5 (25% Red.)	24.4 23.3 21.0	13.4 12.8 11.6			
Kansas City	Sc#2 (30 ppm S) Sc#4 (Bnz Cap) Sc#5 (25% Red.)	34.0 31.7 30.4	22.5 20.8 20.0			
Seattle	Sc#2 (30 ppm S) Sc#4 (Bnz Cap) Sc#5 (25% Red.)	32.4 24.8 20.8	17.8 13.7 11.6			

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### 1990 CO Emission Rates

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- To the extent possible, revisions planned for MOBILE6 were incorporated into this analysis
- Specific changes relative to MOBILE5b:
  - Revised BERs (lower DRs for 1981+ MY)
  - Incorporated off-cycle effects
  - Revised oxygenated fuels benefits
- Aggressive driving effects were calculated as an offset at 75EF; A/C effects were scaled as a function of temperature and fraction equipped

### **CO** Exposure Estimates

- 1990 CO exposure estimates (in μg/m³) were provided by EPA for this effort
- Estimates based on HAPEM modeling performed by Mantech Environmental Technology
- Exposure estimates were prepared for 22 demographic groups based on time spent in each of 37 different microenvironments
- Exposure estimates were adjusted to reflect only the on-road motor vehicle contribution based on CO inventory projections
- Outdoor workers were the highest exposed demographic group, with exposure typically being 15% to 25% higher than the total population, depending on area and season

### **Toxics Exposure Estimates**

Modeled Urban Areas

Recall exposure calculation:

$$TOX_{Exp(ug/m3)} = [CO_{Exp(ug/m3)}/CO_{EF(g/mi)}]_{1990} \times TOX_{EF(g/mi)}$$

- Exposure estimates included an adjustment for atmospheric transformation only for 1,3-butadiene
- Although evidence suggests that formaldehyde and acetaldehyde should have some adjustment for transformation, the complexities in quantifying this effect prevented such an analysis for this study
- VMT adjustments were based on forecasts for each urban area provided by EPA for 1990, 1996, 2007, and 2010; estimates for 2020 were based on the annualized growth rate between 2007 and 2010
- Exposure was estimated for each urban area, calendar year, control scenario, etc. In addition, exposure attributed to individual vehicle classes was estimated

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# National-Level Emissions and Inventory Estimates

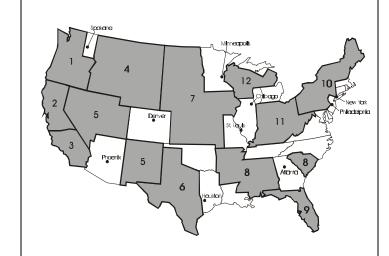
- In addition to the 10 specific urban areas modeled in this study, 16 regional areas were modeled
- The additional areas were selected to obtain a wide cross-section of fuels, I/M parameters, and temperatures
- Each county was "mapped" to one of the 26 areas for which emissions estimates were prepared
- Emission rates were combined with countylevel VMT estimates to generate countyspecific toxics emission inventories (in tons per year)

<b>Annual Average Exposure Results for Benzene</b>
Total Population All On-Road Vehicles
(Units: Fg/m <sup>3</sup> )

		Calendar Year				
Area	Scenario	1990	1996	2007	2020	
Atlanta	Base	0.930	0.836	0.480	0.428	
	Sc#1			0.424	0.374	
	Sc#2			0.413	0.309	
	Sc#3			0.406	0.272	
	Sc#6			0.401	0.247	
Chicago	Base	0.784	0.482	0.264	0.220	
	Sc#1			0.248	0.204	
	Sc#2			0.241	0.167	
	Sc#3			0.237	0.147	
	Sc#6			0.233	0.133	

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### Nationwide Estimates – Mapped Areas



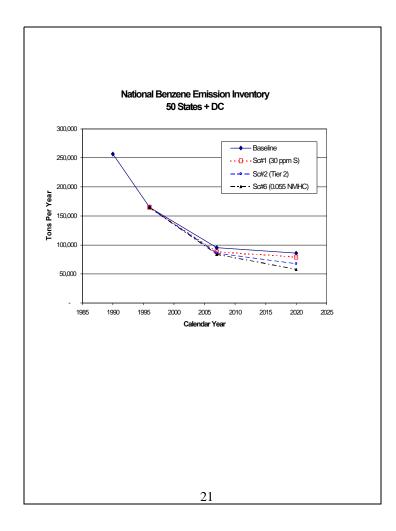
Areas Included in Toxics Emissions Modeling						
Area	Source of Fuel Data	I/M Program	Comments			
Specific Urban Areas						
Chicago	AAMA	Yes	Included in original analysis			
Denver	AAMA	Yes	Included in original analysis			
Houston	AAMA	No/Yes	Included in original analysis			
Minneapolis	AAMA	No/Yes	Included in original analysis			
New York	AAMA	Yes	Included in original analysis			
Philadelphia	AAMA	Yes	Included in original analysis			
Phoenix	AAMA	Yes	Included in original analysis			
Spokane	AAMA	Yes	Included in original analysis			
St. Louis	AAMA	Yes	Included in original analysis			
Atlanta	AAMA	Yes	Specifically requested for this study			
Additional Geographic Regions						
Western Washington/Oregon	NIPER Dist. 13	Yes	Used to model Seattle, Portland, etc.			
Northern California	AAMA - SF	Yes	San Francisco AAMA data to be used			
Southern California	NIPER Dist. 15	Yes	Used for Southern California			
Idaho/Montana/Wyoming	NIPER Dist. 9	No	NW Idaho mapped to Spokane			
Utah/New Mexico/Nevada	NIPER Dist. 10	Yes	Colorado mapped to Denver			
ND/SD/NB/IA/KS/Western MO	NIPER Dist. 7	No	Eastern MO mapped to St. Louis			
Southeast - AR/MS/AL/SC/Northern LA/etc.	NIPER Dist. 3	No	Southern LA (New Orleans) mapped to Atlanta			
Florida	NIPER Dist. 4	Yes	Use regional fuel data rather than AAMA - Miami			
Northeast states non-I/M and non-RFG	NIPER Dist. 1	No	Use for Northeast areas without I/M and RFG			
Northeast states non-I/M and with RFG	NIPER Dist. 2	No	Use for Northeast areas without I/M but with RFG			
Northeast states with I/M and non-RFG	NIPER Dist. 1	Yes	Use for Northeast areas with I/M but w/o RFG			
Ohio Valley non-I/M and non-RFG	NIPER Dist. 6	No	Use for IN/OH/WV/KY areas without I/M and RFG			
Ohio Valley with I/M and non-RFG	NIPER Dist. 6	Yes	Use for IN/OH/WV/KY areas with I/M but w/o RFG			
Ohio Valley - with I/M and with RFG	NIPER Dist. 6	Yes	KY areas with RFG and I/M; Chicago used for NW Indiana			
West Texas	NIPER Dist. 11	No	Use for West Texas and Oklahoma			
Northern MI/WI	NIPER Dist. 5	No	Milwaukee mapped to Chicago; Detroit mapped to Ohio Valley			

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### **Toxics Exposure Estimates**

National Analysis

- Exposure estimates were calculated separately for urban and rural areas
- 1990 Urban CO Exposure:
  - Population-weighted annual average ambient CO for modeled areas = 1.32 ppm
  - Population-weighted annual average ambient CO for U.S. urban areas = 1.22 ppm
  - The population-weighted CO exposure for the modeled areas was then scaled by the ratio 1.22/1.32 (by season and demo group)
- 1990 Rural CO Exposure:
  - No rural areas were modeled in this effort
  - In the 1993 MVRATS, average annual urban CO exposure was 842 μg/m³; rural was 470 μg/m³



Average urban exposures were scaled by the ratio 470/842 to generate rural estimates

### **Toxics Exposure Estimates**

National Analysis (Cont.)

- CO and Toxics Emission Rates:
  - Each county of the U.S. was mapped to one of the 10 modeled urban areas or 16 regional areas
  - Urban and rural emissions determined by weighting emission rates by VMT
  - Urban/rural designations based on 112(k) report
- Population and VMT Forecasts
  - 1990 Census data forecast to the future based on the population growth in the mapped area
  - VMT forecasts were based on applying the VMT/population ratio to the population forecasts

•	From this point, the same approach as outlined above
	was used to generate exposure estimates for average
	urban and average rural areas

National-Level
Annual Average Exposure Results for Benzene
Total Population -- All On-Road Vehicles
(Units: Fg/m³)

TOMES: 1 g/m /						
		Calendar Year				
Area	Scenario	1990	1996	2007	2020	
Urban	Base	1.153	0.735	0.420	0.375	
	Sc#1			0.390	0.346	
	Sc#2			0.381	0.293	
	Sc#3			0.373	0.256	
	Sc#6			0.371	0.250	
Rural	Base	0.648	0.433	0.261	0.243	
	Sc#1			0.239	0.222	
	Sc#2			0.233	0.193	
	Sc#3			0.228	0.167	
	Sc#6			0.228	0.170	
50-State	Base	1.067	0.683	0.393	0.353	
	Sc#1			0.364	0.326	
	Sc#2			0.356	0.277	
	Sc#3			0.348	0.241	
	Sc#6			0.347	0.236	

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### **Risk Assessment**

 Using the on-road motor vehicle toxics exposure estimates described above, individual cancer risk and total cancer cases were calculated:

$$CAN_{Ind} = TOX_{Exp\text{-}Adj(\mu g/m3)} \times (UR \ / \ YPL)$$

$$CAN_{Pop} = CAN_{Ind} \times Population$$

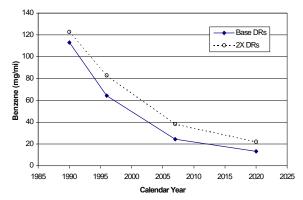
- A range of unit risk in  $(\mu g/m^3)^{-1}$  is input to the model (low-range and high-range) as is years per lifetime (typically 70)
- Individual risk and cancer cases are generated for the modeled urban areas and for an "average" urban and "average" rural area (for national estimates)

 Population forecasts based on above estimates used to generate VMT/population ratios

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### Sensitivity Analysis Double Deterioration Rates

Impact of Doubling LDV Deterioration Rates On Fleet-Average Benzene Emissions (Ohio Valley -- I/M)



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### **Summary and Conclusions**

- Revised toxics model (MOBTOX5b) reflects an improvement over previous estimates, incorporating updated BERs consistent with the Tier 2 rule and toxics fractions based on the Complex Model.
- For the national-level emissions analysis, each county was mapped to one of 26 modeled areas. Local-level estimates could be improved by using data on fuel properties that are specific to the area being modeled.
- Overall, significant reductions in motor vehicle related air toxics are expected between 1990 and 2020 (i.e., from 75% to 90%).

Sensitivity Analysis Min/Max Fuel Parameters

Results of Sensitivity Case #2: Comparison of CY1996 Results Using Minimum/Maximum Fuel Parameters in Four Urban Areas (LDGV Summer Emissions)

Area	Parameter	Min/ Max	Parameter Value	Benzene (mg/mi)	Form. (mg/mi)
Cleveland	Sulfur	Min Max	80 ppm 820 ppm	48.4 60.6	11.2 11.7
Minneap.	Aromatic	Min Max	5.2 vol% 35.1vol%	17.2 52.6	11.7 11.1
Philly	Olefins	Min Max	7.0 vol% 22.8 vol%	28.9 29.2	13.5 13.2
Seattle	Benzene	Min Max	1.4 vol% 4.2 vol%	55.0 147.3	11.5 9.0